

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated August 13, 2003. Claims 1-11 remain pending in this application. Claims 1 and 7 are the independent claims.

In response to the Office Action's objection to the drawings, Applicants respectfully request that substitute Figs. 1 and 2, labeling reference numbers 11a-11c, 16a-16c, 20, 22a-22c, and 24a-24c replace Figs. 1 and 2. Two (2) copies of replacement sheets for substitute Figs. 1 and 2 are herewith included. Applicants respectfully believe substitute Figs. 1 and 2 render the objection to the drawings moot and request its withdrawal.

In response to the Office Action's objections to the abstract, title, specification, and Claims 1-11, Applicants respectfully believe the amendments to the abstract, title, specification, and Claims 1-11 render the objections moot and requests their withdrawal.

On the merits, the Office Action rejected Claims 1-11 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventors had possession of the claimed invention. Applicants respectfully believe the amendments to Claims 1-11 adequately


respond to the § 112, first paragraph rejection and request its withdrawal.

Further on the merits, the Office Action rejected Claims 1-11 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Applicants respectfully believe the amendments to Claims 1-11 adequately respond to the § 112, second paragraph rejection and respectfully request its withdrawal. In addition, Applicants fail to see in Claim 7 where the limitation "current test circuitry for performing" appears on lines 6-7.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application.

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